## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 256**

## By Pody

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Rachel Pettross, 2015 Salutatorian of Friendship Christian School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Pettross is one such exceptional student, who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2015 graduating class at Friendship Christian School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Pettross achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Rachel Pettross earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in a variety of extracurricular activities, including the National Honor Society, Student Council, Spanish Club, Missions class, track, cheerleading, and soccer; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pettross's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Lee and Elizabeth Pettross, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Pettross believes that by maintaining balance between her school work, her extracurricular activities, and time with her loved ones, she "found a much happier and content version" of herself; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pettross's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2015 Friendship Christian School Salutatorian, Rachel Pettross, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.